Glen Canyon National Recreaton Area



Ramp and Area Update for June 27, 2006

Come discover or re- discover all that Glen Canyon National Recreation Area has to offer. There is always has something new to experience in this national park area.

Come Experience:

- Lake Powell! With the water level currently at 3,610 feet, there is plenty of water to enjoy boating, fishing, kayaking, and other water activities. Current water temperatures are approximately 77 degrees.
- Hiking and exploring a variety of red rock wilderness landscapes.
- Camping on Lake Powell, which provides unparalleled opportunities to view the night sky.
- Floating the Colorado River between Glen Canyon Dam and Lees Ferry.
- Staying in one of the park's lodges at Bullfrog or Wahweap and taking a boat tour to Rainbow Bridge or renting a boat and exploring on your own.
- Attending a ranger- led program this summer or taking one of the Grand Circle Field School's classes. Visit www.grandcirclefieldschool.org for a list of classes.
- Teaching your children to protect Lake Powell's water quality and other precious natural resources.
- Lake Powell offers world- class fishing. Visit www.wayneswords.com for the best fishing spots.

Facilities and Services Update:

Public launching capabilities are open and available at Wahweap, Stateline, Antelope Point, Bullfrog, and Halls Crossing.

• Wahweap/Stateline

Wahweap and Stateline main ramps are open with concrete surfaces. The pumpouts at Wahweap and Stateline are open. Stateline- A (Alternative Ramp) is closed to launching of any vessel but is open as a day use area. Boat and land- based fuel are available. Lake Powell Resort is open for overnight accommodation and the Rainbow Room Restaurant and Bene Pizza are open. Lake Powell Sports is now open for the season. A new visitor contact station and bookstore is open at Wahweap in the district ranger's office building.

Antelope Point

Antelope Point Public Launch Ramp is open with concrete surfaces for park visitors to launch their own vessels. Antelope Point Navajo Launch Ramp is open. Fuel is available at the marina and a fuel dock store is open.

Dangling Rope

Fuel and pumpout services are available at Dangling Rope. The Dangling Rope store and snack bar are currently open.

Bullfrog

Bullfrog main ramp is open with a concrete surface to the water's edge. The Bullfrog pumpout is operational and boat and land- based fuel are available. The Lake Powell Ferry, providing automobile shuttle service between Bullfrog and Halls Crossing, is operating from the ferry ramp between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (MDT). Defiance House Lodge and the Anasazi Restaurant are open.

• Halls Crossing

Halls Crossing ramp is open with a concrete surface. All marina concession facilities are open, including the fuel dock and marina store. Pumpout facilities are operational near the public launch ramp. The Lake Powell Ferry between Halls Crossing and Bullfrog is in service between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m (MDT).

• Lone Rock Beach

Lone Rock is open for vehicle accessible camping and day use. All pet waste must be contained and disposed of in the same manner as human waste. Six microflush toilets are open.

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Hite

At the current lake level, there is no marina facility or public launch ramp at Hite. A dirt takeout area for river rafters has been developed on the west side of the river. This is a primitive road and requires 4- wheel drive to access the river. This is not a boat launching area. Pay- at- pump fuel is available and limited groceries are available between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. only. Hite has a NPS ranger station and primitive camping area, however this camping area is not accessible to Lake Powell.

General Information

- Webcams and other up- to- date information on Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is online at: www.nps.gov/glca.
- Lake levels For the latest information, visit the Bureau of Reclamation's web site at www.usbr.gov/uc/.
- Rainbow Bridge National Monument The hike from the courtesy docks is approximately 2.5 miles round- trip. Wear good footwear and take plenty of food and water.
- Protect Lake Powell's water quality! A method of containing solid human waste is required when camping on Lake Powell in areas more than 200 yards from a constructed toilet facility. Portable toilets are available for rent locally.
- Beware of exotic invaders! Zebra mussels are a major threat to the park's fisheries. If your boat has recently been in zebra mussel infested waters, it is illegal to launch in Lake Powell until it has been steam pressured washed. Free washes are available at Wahweap and Bullfrog; inquire at the park entrance station.
- Heads up & eyes open! Boat with caution always be on the look out for submerged rocks and other underwater hazards.
- Floating restrooms and dump stations: Floating restrooms and dump stations are open.
- Other park facilities:
 - Entrance fee stations are open. Park entrance fees are \$15 per vehicle for 7 days. If the entrance station is closed, visitors are still expected to pay entrance fees using the automated fee machines at the entrance stations.
 - o Beach micro flush toilets are available at Lone Rock, Antelope Point, and Stanton Creek Campground.
 - o Boaters must provide their own fittings for pumpout hoses at all facilities lake wide.
- Visitor centers: The Carl Hayden Visitor Center, at Glen Canyon dam, is open year-round, and features a new aquarium with endangered fish native to the Colorado River, including the bonytail and humpback chub. A new visitor contact station is also open at Wawheap in the District Ranger Office building. The Bullfrog Visitor Center is open. The Navajo Bridge Interpretive Center at Lees Ferry is open.
- Park concessioners: For information on park concessioners and services available:
 - o Antelope Point Holdings 1- 800- 255- 5561 or www.azmarinas.com/AntelopePoint
 - o ARAMARK- Lake Powell Resorts & Marinas 1-800-528-6154 or www.lakepowell.com

Channel Markings at Current Water Levels

- Boaters be aware: Due to narrowness of the channel from Anchovy Point to Antelope Point Marina, be prepared for rough water if multiple boats are in the area.
- Boaters are now required to follow the main channel to the north and west of Padre Butte the channel is marked. The marked channel has been realigned beginning at buoy 16 through 2oC.
- Wakeless zones: *boat with caution please adhere to flat wake rules*.

 For those boaters traveling uplake from the Wahweap area, boat with caution within the breakwater and wakeless buoys around the Antelope Point public launch ramp and at the Antelope Point Marina.

Safety Tips - Recreate Sensibly and Return Home Safely!

- Kite tubing and parasailing are now prohibited at Glen Canyon!
- Cliff jumping/diving is the #1 cause of fatalities on Lake Powell even jumping/diving from low levels can cause death or serious injury. New park regulations prohibit this activity.
- Carbon monoxide (CO) is a "silent killer." Know the location of your vessel's exhaust and keep everyone out of harm's way. Be sure your CO detectors on your vessel work and pay heed if they go off. BE SAFE turn off generators prior to retiring for the evening.
- Teak surfing is extremely dangerous and can be deadly to those who participate. Stay alive don't teak surf.
- Children don't float! Please watch your children around water and require them to wear personal flotation devices (also known as life jackets or life vests) anytime they are in or near the water. Don't let your child be a statistic!